The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Previously Presented) A semiconductor device comprising: an active layer comprising a semiconductor film comprising silicon;

a gate electrode comprising tantalum adjacent to said active layer with a gate insulating film interposed therebetween;

an inorganic film over said active layer and on said gate electrode; and a resin film over said inorganic film,

wherein a concentration of nickel in a source region and a drain region formed in said active layer is higher than a concentration of nickel in other regions in said active layer by two or more orders of magnitude, and

wherein said source region and said drain region comprise a nickel phosphide.

2. (Previously Presented) The semiconductor device according to claim 1, wherein said nickel phosphide is one of NiP, NiP₂ and Ni₂P.

3.-4. (Canceled)

5. (Previously Presented) The semiconductor device according to claim 1, wherein said semiconductor device is one selected from the group consisting of a portable intelligent terminal, a head mounted display, a front-projection type liquid crystal display, a cellular mobile telephone, a portable video camera, and a rear-projection liquid crystal display.

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6. (Canceled)

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35. (Previously Presented) A semiconductor device comprising: an active layer comprising a semiconductor film comprising silicon;

a gate electrode comprising tantalum adjacent to said active layer with a gate insulating film interposed therebetween;

a film comprising silicon and nitride over said active layer and on said gate electrode; and

a resin film over said film comprising silicon and nitride,

wherein a concentration of nickel in a source region and a drain region formed in said active layer is higher than a concentration of nickel in other regions in said active layer by two or more orders of magnitude, and

wherein said source region and said drain region comprise a nickel phosphide.

36. (Previously Presented) The semiconductor device according to claim 35, wherein said nickel phosphide is one of NiP, NiP₂ and Ni₂P.

37. (Canceled)

- 38. (Previously Presented) The semiconductor device according to claim 35, wherein said gate electrode has a heat-resistance to a heat treatment of 700°C.
- 39. (Previously Presented) The semiconductor device according to claim 35, wherein said semiconductor device is one selected from the group consisting of a

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portable intelligent terminal, a head mounted display, a front-projection type liquid crystal display, a cellular mobile telephone, a portable video camera, and a rear-projection liquid crystal display.

- 40. (Previously Presented) The semiconductor device according to claim 1, wherein said resin film comprises a material selected from the group consisting of acrylics, polyimide, polyimide, polyimidamide, and epoxies.
- 41. (Previously Presented) The semiconductor device according to claim 35, wherein said resin film comprises a material selected from the group consisting of acrylics, polyimide, polyimide, polyimidamide, and epoxies.
 - 42. (Previously Presented) A semiconductor device comprising: an active layer comprising a semiconductor film comprising silicon;

a gate electrode comprising tantalum adjacent to said active layer with a gate insulating film interposed therebetween;

an inorganic film over said active layer and on said gate electrode; and a resin film over said inorganic film,

wherein a concentration of nickel in a source region and a drain region formed in said active layer is higher than a concentration of nickel in other regions in said active layer which is less than 5×10^{16} atoms/cm³, and

wherein said source region and said drain region comprise a nickel phosphide.

43. (Previously Presented) The semiconductor device according to claim 42, wherein said nickel phosphide is one of NiP, NiP₂ and Ni₂P.

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- 45. (Previously Presented) The semiconductor device according to claim 42, wherein said gate electrode has a heat-resistance to a heat treatment of 700°C.
- 46. (Previously Presented) The semiconductor device according to claim 42, wherein said semiconductor device is one selected from the group consisting of a portable intelligent terminal, a head mounted display, a front-projection type liquid crystal display, a cellular mobile telephone, a portable video camera, and a rearprojection liquid crystal display.
 - 47. (Previously Presented) A semiconductor device comprising: an active layer comprising a semiconductor film comprising silicon;
- a gate electrode comprising a heat-resistant material adjacent to said active layer with a gate insulating film interposed therebetween;
- a film comprising silicon and nitride over said active layer and on said gate electrode: and

a resin film over said film comprising silicon and nitride.

wherein a concentration of nickel in a source region and a drain region formed in said active layer is higher than a concentration of nickel in other regions in said active layer which is less than 5 x 10¹⁶ atoms/cm³, and

wherein said source region and said drain region comprise a nickel phosphide.

- 48. (Previously Presented) The semiconductor device according to claim 47, wherein said nickel phosphide is one of NiP, NiP₂ and Ni₂P.
 - 49. (Canceled)
- 50. (Previously Presented): The semiconductor device according to claim 47, wherein said gate electrode has a heat-resistance to a heat treatment of 700°C.

- 51. (Previously Presented) The semiconductor device according to claim 47, wherein said semiconductor device is one selected from the group consisting of a portable intelligent terminal, a head mounted display, a front-projection type liquid crystal display, a cellular mobile telephone, a portable video camera, and a rearin the state of the state of the projection liquid crystal display.
- 52. (Previously Presented) The semiconductor device according to claim 42, wherein said resin film comprises a material selected from the group consisting of acrylics, polyimide, polyamide, polyimidamide, and epoxies.
- 53. (Previously Presented) The semiconductor device according to claim 47, wherein said resin film comprises a material selected from the group consisting of acrylics, polyimide, polyamide, polyimidamide, and epoxies.
 - 54. (Previously Presented) A semiconductor device comprising: an active layer comprising a semiconductor film comprising silicon;
- a gate electrode comprising tantalum adjacent to said active layer with a gate insulating film interposed therebetween;

an inorganic film over said active layer and on said gate electrode; and a resin film over said inorganic film,

wherein a source region and a drain region formed in said active layer comprise a nickel phosphide.

55. (Previously Presented) The semiconductor device according to claim 54, wherein said nickel phosphide is one of NiP, NiP₂ and Ni₂P.

- 56. (Previously Presented) The semiconductor device according to claim 54, wherein said gate electrode has a heat-resistance to a heat treatment of 700°C.
- 57. (Previously Presented) The semiconductor device according to claim 54, wherein said semiconductor device is one selected from the group consisting of a portable intelligent terminal, a head mounted display, a front-projection type liquid crystal display, a cellular mobile telephone, a portable video camera, and a rear-projection liquid crystal display.
 - 58. (Previously Presented) A semiconductor device comprising: an active layer comprising a semiconductor film comprising silicon;
- a gate electrode comprising tantalum adjacent to said active layer with a gate insulating film interposed therebetween;
- a film comprising silicon and nitride over said active layer and on said gate electrode; and
 - a resin film over said film comprising silicon and nitride,
- wherein a source region and a drain region formed in said active layer comprise a nickel phosphide.
- 59. (Previously Presented) The semiconductor device according to claim 58, wherein said nickel phosphide is one of NiP, NiP₂ and Ni₂P.
- 60. (Previously Presented) The semiconductor device according to claim 58, wherein said gate electrode has a heat-resistance to a heat treatment of 700°C.
- 61. (Previously Presented) The semiconductor device according to claim 58, wherein said semiconductor device is one selected from the group consisting of a portable intelligent terminal, a head mounted display, a front-projection type liquid

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crystal display, a cellular mobile telephone, a portable video camera, and a rearprojection liquid crystal display.

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- 74. (Previously Presented) The semiconductor device according to claim 54, wherein said resin film comprises a material selected from the group consisting of acrylics, polyimide, polyimide, polyimidamide, and epoxies.
- 75. (Previously Presented) The semiconductor device according to claim 58, wherein said resin film comprises a material selected from the group consisting of acrylics, polyimide, polyimide, polyimide, and epoxies.

76.-105. (Canceled)